

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

This amendment is made in response to the rejection dated January 30, 2008. Now, each of the independent claims contains the limitation that the V shape formed by the struts has a midline parallel to the longitudinal axis of the stent.

It is believed that all existing claims now overcomes the rejection to Ehr, U.S. Patent No. 6,033,433.

Should additional fees be necessary in connection with the filing of this paper, or if a petition for extension of time is required for timely acceptance of same, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 10-0750/CMI-5001USCNT7/PAC for any such fees.

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